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**120th Legislature (2000-2002)**

**History and Final Disposition**

LD 1591 / SP0504

Original Title: An Act to Raise the Minimum Wage, to Expand the Tax Credit for Health Benefits Paid by a Small Business and to Increase the Earned Income Credit. New Title: An Act to Raise the Minimum Wage. Presented by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Representative SAXL of Portland and Senators: BROMLEY of Cumberland, EDMONDS of Cumberland, GAGNON of Kennebec, KNEELAND of Aroostook, ROTUNDO of Androscoggin, Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, MAYO of Bath, SULLIVAN of Biddeford. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Labor. Public Hearing 03/22/01. Majority (OTP-AM) Accepted 05/04/01. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) S-63. Final Disposition: Enacted, Signed 05/29/01, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 297.

SP0626

Joint Order, Recalling LD 1591, An Act to Raise the Minimum Wage, to Expand the Tax Credit for Health Benefits Paid by a Small Business and to Increase the Earned Income Credit, from the Governor's Desk. Submitted by Senator BENNETT of Oxford. Final Disposition: Not Presented.

**Original Bill**

[LD 1591 \(120th Legis. 2001\)](#)

**Analyst's Summary of Bill and Enacted Law**

[LD 1591 / PL 2001, c. 297](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Labor

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**New Drafts and Amendments**

[Amendment CA \(S-63\) \(LD 1591 2001\) \(Passed\)](#)

**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

[HOUSE, March 13, 2001 \(H261-274\)](#)

- p. H-274

[SENATE, March 13, 2001 \(S246-266\)](#)

- p. S-256

[SENATE, April 25, 2001 \(S486-493\)](#)

- p. S-491 (Amendment(s) S-63)

[HOUSE, April 26, 2001 \(H498-503\)](#)

- p. H-501 (Amendment(s) S-63)

[HOUSE, May 4, 2001 \(H615-623\)](#)

- p. H-620 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s) (p 623)) (Amendment(s) S-63)

[HOUSE, May 9, 2001 \(H687-717\)](#)

- p. H-691 (Amendment(s) S-63)

[HOUSE, May 16, 2001 \(H828-855\)](#)

- p. H-829 (Roll Call(s)) (Amendment(s) S-63)

[SENATE, May 17, 2001 \(S796-816\)](#)

- p. S-797 (Amendment(s) S-63)

#### **Enacted Law or Resolve**

[PL 2001, c. 297](#)

#### **News Articles**

House passes wage hike (Meara, Emmet) (Bangor Daily News, 5/5/2001) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 120/LD15xx/nc120-LD-1591/SB1201347.pdf)

House advances wage increase (Quinn, Francis X.) (Kennebec Journal, 5/5/2001) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 120/LD15xx/nc120-LD-1591/SB1201348.pdf)

Minimum wage hike approved (Washuk, Bonnie) (Sun-Journal (Lewiston), 5/5/2001) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 120/LD15xx/nc120-LD-1591/SB1201808.pdf)

Minimum wage bill wins final approval (Quinn, Francis X.) (Morning Sentinel, 5/18/2001) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 120/LD15xx/nc120-LD-1591/SB1201425.pdf)

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